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Production of Gold

1311. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the total production of gold in various gold mines of the country during the last three years; and

(b) the purpose for which the gold was utilized by the Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI BALRAM SINGH YADAV): (a) The total production of gold in the various mines of the country during the last three years is given in the Statement below.

(b) Gold produced in the country is sold in the open market, which is mainly used in making ornaments and in other industrial uses like Watch making, Jari making etc.

STATEMENT

Gold produced by various mines during the past 3 years

Name of Company/Mine	*Production of Gold in Kgs.*		
	1988-89	*1989-90*	*1990-91*
1	*2*	*3*	*4*
I. Bharat Gold Mines Ltd.			
(i) KGF group of miens including heap leaching and old Bisanatham Mine	732.72	589.15	479.60
(ii) Chigargunta line	79.63	76.94	169.87
(iii) Yeppamana Mine	130.84	107.26	114.78
Total : BGML	943.19	773.35	764.25
II. Hutti Gold Mines Co. Limited			
Hutti Mines, District Raichur (Karnataka)	965.00	875.00	1049.00
III. Hindustan Copper Ltd. (HCL)			
(i) Produced as bye-product at Indian Copper Complex, Ghatshila (Bihar)	100.00	101.00	75.00
(ii) Received from Toll Smelting of reverts and anode slimes from abroad	-	407.00	202.69
	100.00	508.00	277.00
Grand Total	2008.19	2156.35	2090.25

Only BGML and HGML are mining and producing primary gold. Gold is produced as bye-product by HCL.